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SUBJECT: CAMBODIA

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1. IN MEETING WITH FOREIGN MINISTER MALIK MARCH 24 I
ASKED WHETHER HE WAS CURRENTLY ENGAGED IN FURTHER EFFORTS
BRING OPPOSING SIDES TOGETHER IN CAMBODIA.
2. HE SAID HIS LATEST MOVE HAS BEEN TO INSTRUCT INDONESIAN
AMBASSADOR PHNOM PENH TO SOUND OUT LONG BORET TO DETERMINE
WHETHER KHMER GOVERNMENT WOULD BE PREPARED SEND REPRESENTATIVE MEET WITH SIHANOUK REPRESENTATIVE. HE SAID
AFTER RECENT TALK WITH ALGERIAN FOREIGN MINISTER
BOUTEFLIKA HE FEELS CERTAIN ALGERIANS WOULD PRODUCE
SIHANOUK REPRESENTATIVE IF HE COULD PRODUCE REPRESENTATIVE
FROM LONG BORET. APPROACH WOULD BE ON BASIS THAT
SIHANOUK'S POSITION VIS-A-VIS KHMER ROUGES WOULD BE MUCH
STRONGER IF HE COULD WORK OUT ARRANGEMENT WITH PRESENT
GOVERNMENT IN PHNOM PENH TO GET THERE FIRST. MALIK
SAID HE HAD NOT RECEIVED REPORT YET AND PRESUMED "LONG
BORET IS BUSY WITH OTHER THINGS." HE MENTIONED POSSIBLE
VENUE OF SUCH MEETING AS PRIS, ALGIERS OR JAKARTA.

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3. WHEN I ASKED ABOUT REPORTED EFFORT AT CONTACT WITH

SIHANOUK'S SON IN BANGKOK (REFTEL), MALIK SAID THIS HAD
COME TO NOTHING. ALGERIANS TOLD HIM SIHANOUK'S SON COULD
NOT BE TRUSTED.

4. COMMENT: WE REPORT MALIK'S STATEMENTS ON CAMBODIAN
ISSUE WITHOUT ANY STRONG CONFIDENCE THAT THEY ARE LEADING
ANYWHERE. WE WOULD SEE NO OBJECTION TO PHNOM PENH EX-
PLORING WITH INDOENSIA EMBASSY WHETHER IN FACT ANY
APPROACH ALONG THESE LINES BEING MADE.
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